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Sent:

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To:

Steve Mahalchick

Subject: FEIS for Mesaba Project, Excelsior Energy

Dear Mr. Mahalchick,

The FEIS is inadequate, and many significant impacts have been dismissed by the DOE. Not just public concerns, but concerns from agencies such as the MPCA. Please read through the FEIS comments, and also look at the Draft EIS comments (most of which were swept under the carpet at that time as well and are now buried in the thousands of pages of DEIS). These comments speak to the impact of the project, and give a great overall big-picture type view of how the DOE has ignored public concerns. It's obvious they don't care about the details, and really don't care about the environmental impact. What the DOE really wants is for the project to go forward, and the DOE has significant bias and incentive to do so under their mandate for the Clean Coal Power initiative. (What a joke-there is no such thing as "Clean Coal".)

Thank you for your time,

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